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**MOTOR HAVING A ROTOR WITH INTERIOR SPLIT-PERMANENT-MAGNET
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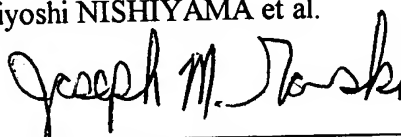
Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the date of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No.10-369167, filed December 25, 1998, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

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